

## BURGLAR CAUGHT AFTER LOOTING FORTY HOUSES

Negro Ex-Convict Estimates He Has Stolen \$40,000 Valuables Since May.

## TERRORIZED EAST ORANGE

\$20,000 Worth of Plunder Recovered in Lenox Avenue Place—Had Just Served Seven Years.

Residents at Grove Street, East Orange, Brick Church and all the other Orange stops have lived in terror of burglars for several months, and at least forty houses in those prosperous towns have been robbed. The East Orange police decided that the "jobs" were the work of one man.

Some ten days ago they learned that Christopher Chandler, a negro, who had served seven years in the New Jersey penitentiary for entering a house at Englewood, was in East Orange, and they watched him. On Wednesday Chandler was surprised while in the home of X. J. Little, at No. 70 Lenox avenue, East Orange. Some \$20,000 worth of silver and cut glass had been packed up to be removed. No member of the Little family was at home at the time.

The East Orange police say Chandler confessed that he robbed at least forty places after he was released from prison last May, and in an automobile trip about the town he pointed out many places he had entered.

In the possession of the negro the police found an address that brought them to New York, and yesterday afternoon in a house in Lenox avenue, near 129th street, more than \$20,000 worth of silverware, jewelry and cut glass was found. The New York police consented to guard the place until today, when the New Jersey detectives will come back with a big van and remove the goods to East Orange, so that residents there may identify their goods and get them back.

The New Jersey detectives say Chandler told them he had done most of his work in the summer time, when houses were closed and families were away at the seashore or in the mountains. He never entered a house, he said, unless he was sure that the family was absent. That gave him plenty of time to pack what goods he wanted and remove them. The negro estimated that he had taken at least \$40,000 worth of loot.

The New Jersey authorities hope to learn where Chandler took the valuables that have not been recovered.

## HOTEL WITH 1,500 ROOMS Proposed P. R. R. Structure To Be 23 Stories High.

The hotel which the Pennsylvania Railroad is to erect on Seventh avenue on the block fronted between 32d and 33d streets, recently acquired by the railroad from Thomas Dimond, is to be twenty-three stories in height and have fifteen hundred rooms, according to reports in real estate circles yesterday. The story that McKim, Mead & White had virtually completed plans for such a structure to occupy the site was announced in The Tribune recently.

Its general architectural arrangement will conform with the big railroad station opposite. Between the rear and the adjoining store there will be a forty-foot private street. This, besides allowing more light and air to the hotel, will relieve the congestion of delivery wagons belonging to the drygoods store on the side streets.



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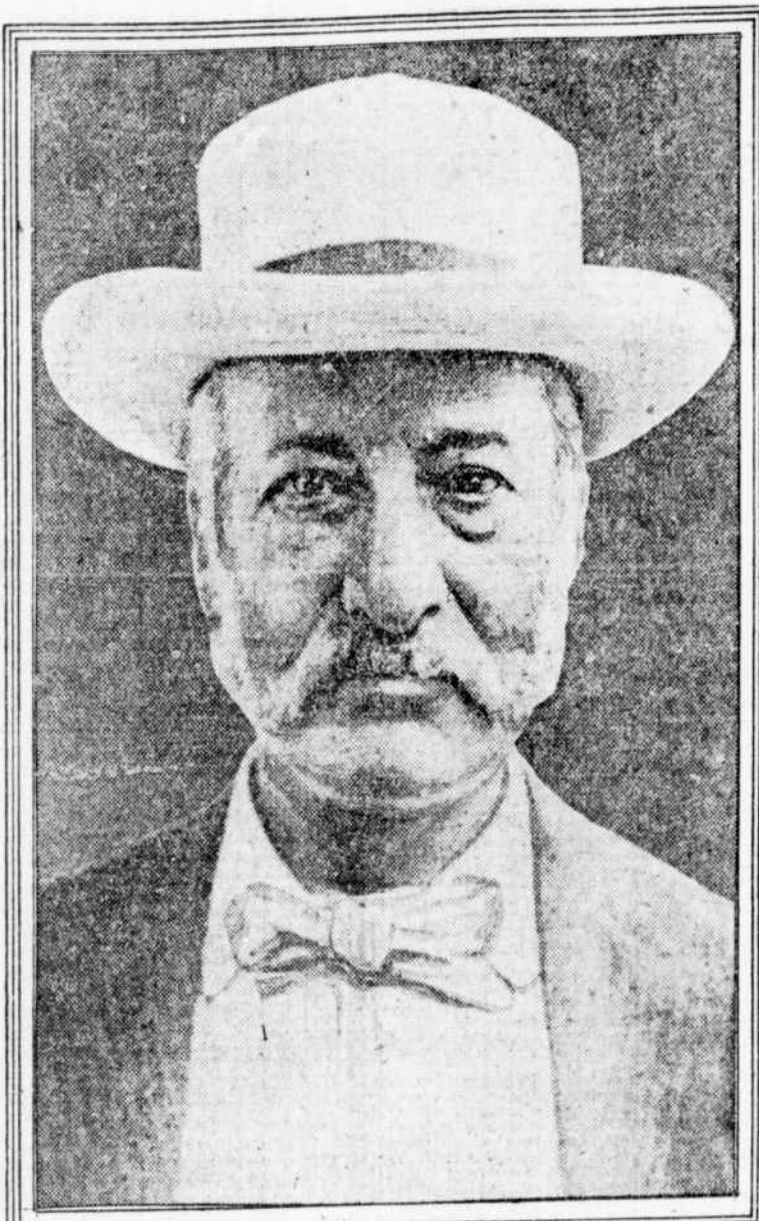
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## JOHN HAY, ALIAS "SIR JOHN."

One of the three men arrested for working the wire-tapping game on two Southerners.



## "MOVIE" MAN A SUICIDE

Church Objected to His Place and He Took Poison.

Sigmund Moses, of No. 201 West 118th street, took poison while in an office at No. 320 Broadway yesterday afternoon and died a short time afterward in the Hudson Street House of Relief. The police learned that Moses was despondent because of financial troubles. At one time he was well-to-do, but lost money in a real estate venture. Recently he purchased an interest in a moving picture theatre in 42d street, between Second and Third avenues. A church in the neighborhood objected to the presence of the moving picture show, and the license was revoked.

Moses went to the office of Morris & Schiff, who had represented him in bankruptcy proceedings, and while there drank the poison. He then walked out of the door and fell unconscious in the hallway. The man was the father of four children, who lived with him and his second wife. It was said that since mortgages had been foreclosed on four houses he had bought he had acted as collector for the receiver, and while he had turned in the rents for September he had made no returns for October.

## BACK TO THE NIGHTSTICK

Only Hope of Ridding City of Thugs, Says Driscoll.

Clement J. Driscoll, speaking before twenty members of the League for the Civic Education of Women who braved yesterday's storm, said the Mayor had suspended the ex-lease law when he refused to permit policemen or detectives to enter saloons with the purpose of gathering evidence. He summed up his talk when he said: "If you want to separate the Police Department from politics you must take the control of it from the hands of the Mayor."

"We are living in the most moral and clean city in the world—and the best policed, too," he said. "No one Mayor is altogether responsible for the present conditions, so please don't be discouraged with your city. The problem is: How is it possible for a Becker to exist in the Police Department? The great defect of the department is because the Commissioner can be dismissed by the Governor, perhaps merely because the Governor doesn't like the way his hair is parted, and also by the Mayor, for a not much greater reason. Please don't centralize police power in the Mayor. If you are going to keep the department out of politics, then keep it away from the Mayor. "Until you women, serious minded and intelligent, get the chance to vote politics will continue to be a business venture. Never will you have a thorough and effective police force until you place the Commissioner beyond an evil power. No Commissioner is permitted to remain long enough in power to thoroughly understand his work."

"The reason for there being so many 'Leftys' Louises and 'Gyps' in the Bloods is because they are supported and protected by politics. When those men get arrested and are locked up in the district leader, probably, steps forward and offers his bail. If the honest policeman in his right mind he would know how to clean out from the city all the 'Lefty' Louises and 'Gyps' in a day."

## BUTLER'S ACCOUNTS MIXED

Court Names Receivers for Big Boston Stores.

Boston, Nov. 7.—Receivers were appointed today for the department stores controlled by William S. Butler & Co., the Gilchrist Company and Everybody's Store Company. It is estimated that the liabilities of the three concerns amount to more than \$1,000,000.

William E. Butler, treasurer of the three companies, committed suicide by shooting Friday night.

All the shares in the Butler and Everybody's companies are owned by the Butler companies, a holding association. The majority of the stock of the Gilchrist Company is held by the holding concern. It was announced that the liabilities of Butler & Co. amount to \$100,000. The combined liabilities of the Gilchrist Company and Everybody's store are unknown. The merchandise of the Gilchrist Company is valued at \$500,000, that of Butler & Co. at \$250,000 and the goods in Everybody's Store at \$125,000. The receivers were authorized to continue the business of all three concerns.

## CARNEGIE ESCAPES TAXES

Swears Off Personal Assessment, His Bonds Being Exempt.

Andrew Carnegie walked into the office of Tax Commissioner Charles T. Whitte yesterday afternoon and had his personal assessment cancelled, on the ground that his debts were far in excess of his personal property.

In his statement in the Tax office he declared that his personal property, including money on hand, notes and loans due him, household effects, etc., did not exceed \$3,477.16, while his liabilities, chiefly contracts for gifts, amounted to \$3,292,325. He also declared that he had no bonds which were not stamped, and thus exempt under the secured debts law.

Mr. Carnegie's personal assessment last year was \$30,000. Before that it had been \$5,000.00. He raised no objection to the increase. It is presumed that he paid taxes on this assessment last year because of the ownership of Steel bonds which have since become exempt.

At the office of the Deputy State Comptroller it was said yesterday afternoon that it would be impossible to ascertain just what bonds of Mr. Carnegie's had been registered, as they were registered not in his name, but through an agent. Lawson Purdy, president of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, explaining the status of Mr. Carnegie as a taxpayer, said:

Mr. Carnegie has registered his bonds under the secured debts tax law and his assessment has been cancelled, as his debts largely exceed the value of his personal property.

## ASSETS ROSE IN PURCHASE

Government Brings Out Increases in Sugar Properties.

The government's chief effort at the hearing yesterday in the suit for the dissolution of the Sugar Trust was directed toward the establishment of the assets of the various constituent companies before they were absorbed by the combination.

James R. Knapp, Assistant United States Attorney, indicated by his questions that the government expected to show how great a difference there existed between the assets of the constituent companies and the amount of the stock floated just prior to the absorption of the trust. He said some of the companies issued considerable amounts of stock as soon as it became apparent that the combination would be effected, and the inflation was made in expectation of the larger returns to be assured through elimination of competition.

Amid objection of counsel for the sugar company Mr. Knapp questioned George R. Bunker, who had been treasurer of the old National Sugar Refining Company, about the capitalization and the assets of this concern, which was absorbed by the trust in 1900.

The value of this company's plant, including buildings, real estate and machinery, Mr. Bunker set at \$1,240,000. The witness said he was present at the meeting of the board of directors of the National Sugar Refining Company in June, 1900, when preferred stock to the amount of \$10,000,000 and common stock amounting to \$10,000,000 was issued and turned over to James H. Post in exchange for the control of the old National, the Mollenhauer and Doehner companies.

Mr. Bunker explained that the good will and trade relations of the company represented a considerable value.

## LIKELY TO ADMIT BLIND BOY.

Cecil Morris, the seven-year-old blind boy from Dublin who has been detained at Ellis Island since his arrival on Sunday, will most likely be released to his parents within a few days. Commissioner Williams recommended that the child be admitted under bond and Secretary Nagel authorized this consideration yesterday. As soon as the parents are able to execute a bond that the boy will not become a public charge, he will be released.

## ITS STOCK HAS NO PAR VALUE.

The first large company to be incorporated under the New York statute providing that common stock shall have no par value entered the family of corporations yesterday—the Wisconsin Edison Company. This company, organized by the North American Company to hold its public utility properties in Wisconsin, has an authorized capital stock of \$100,000,000, 6 per cent cumulative preferred stock, par value \$100, and 200,000 shares of common stock. Its authorized capital is stated to be \$12,000,000.

## SOFT MONEY MEN GET \$25,000 ON "RACING"

Ancient Wire Tapping Scheme Used to Take Savings from Southerners.

## GONDORF BROTHERS JAILED

Accused of Operating Fake Poolroom for Fleecing Suckers—One Victim Pockets Loss.

The man who invented the gold brick, back in grandfather's time, still would find human nature the same old trusting kind, even though it does have the newspapers to keep it informed about all the little ways of the world. For, if the tale the police tell be true, that same inventor of the brick of gold is still at his game of beguiling other men's dollars out of their pockets into his own—not, however, in the same form, but in the same substance. In the end it amounts to about the same thing, as the following tale will show.

One day last spring a man moved to Wilmington, N. C., and took up his abode in one of the best parts of the town. It was a neighborhood district, and he was a friendly disposition, he and his wife, they made friends fast, and soon both were favorites. He came from New York, the big city, and had all the polish that big cities give, but he was, withal, of a homely nature, that longed for a chance to go back to the simpler life. He had accumulated a snug parcel of the world's goods, and with it he bought a farm. Alfalfa farming seemed to be about the only desire he had, and finding that farm about the only occupation.

Mrs. Dawning, his wife, was just as popular as he was, but she had one source of unhappiness. She had bad teeth. She was not in the best of health, either, and did not feel able to go to a dentist's office for repairs, but one of her new found friends hit upon just the thing. She knew a capable dentist who would be loath to come to the house and take care of her teeth right there. He was Dr. J. W. Powell, of 24 and Princess streets, not far away, and he proved just as the good neighbor had said. He was more than glad to bring his skill into the cozy little Dawning home and banish all pain from Mrs. Dawning's teeth.

## Here Enters the Dentist.

Dr. Powell proved to be more than a dentist. He proved to be a dear friend as well. Despite his skill, Mrs. Dawning's teeth presented a baffling problem. She had three false teeth, set on pivots, and they had a most baffling way of coming loose, despite the most modern means he employed to make them stick, so that he had to spend many hours in the Dawning home, laboring over Mrs. Dawning's teeth. So it befell that friendship ripened fast, and Mr. Dawning grew more than a little fond of him.

He finally grew so completely fond of him that he took him to his heart and confidence in a way that bade fair to make Dr. Powell's fees look scarcely worth making out a bill for. Their great friendship had developed the surprising coincidence that they both yearned for a way to make sure money, easily and plentifully, without toiling for it. So well did Mr. Dawning like Dr. Powell that he was willing to go to the full length of revealing to him how this dream could be attained. It was a new plan for playing the races without losing. Dr. Powell had tried all the old ways, and had usually lost.

"It is the simplest thing in the world," said Dawning one night. "I have said by enough to buy an alfalfa farm by it, and there is no use your wasting your days grinding teeth. There is just one system for playing the races, and I have got it."

Then he went on to explain that he had a friend in the Western Union Telegraph Company who could control the wires bringing the racing results into the New York pools. The idea, he explained, was to get this friend to hold back the results from the pools, first giving to Dawning the names of winning horses. Forearmed with this knowledge Dawning and his new found friend were to place their bets in the pools on horses they already knew had won. When the delayed results finally came clicking off the unsuspecting gamblers' private telegraph wires the only thing for Dr. Powell and his friend Dawning to do was to collect their bets.

## Oh, That Soft Money!

It was a grand new idea to Dr. Powell. He may have heard of "wire-tapping," but he never knew before how easy and sure it was. The idea was so good, in fact, he wanted to get a dear friend of his in on it, and his kind mentor, Mr. Dawning, consented to share the secret. This friend was Kirby Cleveland Sidbury, a young lawyer and real estate operator, of Wilmington.

So the three of them came to New York. First, Kirby Cleveland Sidbury and Dr. Powell were introduced to "Mr. McDonald," the man said to be employed in the Western Union, who tapped the racing wires. Then they were introduced to a "pools" man, a busy scene in that "pools" room. Telegraph instruments were clicking, men were receiving bets over telephone, results were being posted on charts, and lucky ones were placing their bets. But not being on to the system these men lost more often than they won.

"No losing like that for us," whispered Dawning and "McDonald" to Dr. Powell and Kirby Cleveland Sidbury. "Our system never loses."

The plan was that McDonald was to go back to his post at the Western Union, hold up the results as they came over the wire, telephone them first to Powell and Sidbury, who were to wait at a telephone in the Hotel Endicott, near the poolroom. These two lucky ones were then to rush to the "pools" room, and bet all they had on the winner. The only thing after that was to collect their money.

So it was arranged. Powell and Sidbury stood by the telephone in the Endicott. "Place your all on Flying Fairy" came McDonald's well known voice over the telephone, and, fairly flying, Powell and Sidbury rushed to the poolroom, and each bet \$3,000 on "Flying Fairy." A moment later the returns came over the poolroom wire. But "Flying Fairy" had not won. "Flying Fairy" had come in second.

## What an Absurd Mistake!

Dawning was speechless with astonishment and rushed out to a telephone and called up "McDonald." A heated conversation ensued, which ended by Dawning hanging up the receiver with a resigned air. "Say," he said, turning to Powell and

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### CANDY SHOW

Sidbury. "Don't you fellows understand racing terms?" McDonald told you to "place" your money on Flying Fairy. "Place" money, second—didn't you know that? He said. I knew our system could not really lose."

Dr. Powell had enough and went home. But the faith was still strong in Kirby Cleveland Sidbury, lawyer and real estate operator. He went home and brought back \$7,000, and through some other mistake it went the way of the first \$3,000. But still his faith was of a kind that did not die easily, and twice more he went back to Wilmington, first coming back with another \$7,000 and then with \$3,000. Each time some "horrible mistake" thwarted the perfection of the system and he lost it all—he and Dr. Powell \$22,000 in all.

After this, Kirby Cleveland got suspicious and told the police. As a result of his story, matched up with a few things the police already knew, three men were arrested yesterday. They are, according to the police, "Charles" Gondorf and his brother "Fred," both well known, the police say, to them as expert "fake wire tappers." Then they took into custody John Kay, who said he was an art dealer and connoisseur. The police say that he is "Sir John," alias "Paper Collar Joe," the man who invented the gold brick game forty years ago. Sidbury yesterday identified him as one of the men in the poolroom, and "Charles" as the man introduced to him as "McDonald."

The poolroom, the police say, was only a little theatrical performance, part of the scheme, no real betting being done there. All three men were held in the West Side Court in \$20,000 bail for examination Saturday.

The police say that they have information, which will lead to the arrest of Dawning and his wife, who steered the two "come-ons" to their slaughter. Before they are through, they say, they are going to round up a big band of operators who have been flourishing on this particular type of confidence game. A fourth man was arrested later in the day, charged with swindling Simon Jones, of Pittsburgh, out of \$20,000 in the same house where Sidbury said he had lost his money. This man gave his name as Charles Carbonell. He was also held in \$10,000 bail.

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